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SUBJ: RESTRICTION OF MOTION PICTURE IMPORTS TO INDONESIA

1) SUMMARY: INDONESIA ANNOUNCED REDUCTION IN QUOTA OF FOREIGN FILMS AND ORGANIZATION OF CONSORTIA WITH EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS TO IMPORT FILMS. MOTION PICTURE EXPORT ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA (MPEAA) PROTESTED TO GOI AND HAS ASKED EMBASSY ASSISTANCE SUMMARY

2) GOI MINISTRY OF INFORMATION (M.I) RECENTLY ISSUED A DECISION TO REDUCE THE QUOTA OF IMPORTED FILMS TO 300 FOR FY 1976 FROM 400 IN FY 1975 (FY 1976 BEGAN ON APRIL 1). THE QUOTA IS ALLOCATED BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREA, WITH 146 ALLOWED FROM EUROPE AND "AMERICA". IN ANOTHER DECISION THE M.I. SET UP FOUR CONSORTIA TO IMPORT FILMS, EACH WITH A DESIGNATED GEOGRAPHICAL AREA FROM WHICH IT WILL BE ABLE TO IMPORT. TWO CONSORTIAS WILL BE GIVEN RIGHTS TO IMPORT FROM EUROPE AND "AMERICA". THE DECISIONS ALSO SET UP A REQUIREMENT ON THE CONSORTIA TO PRODUCE ON FILMS DOMESTICALLY FOR EACH FIVE FILMS IMPORTED, AND LATER TO EXPORT DOMESTIC FILMS.

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3) ON APRIL 27, ROBERT PERKINS, V.P. OF MPEAA CALLED ON

EMBOFF TO DISCUSS NEW REGULATIONS, PERKINS WAS PRIMARILY CONCERNED ABOUT ESTABLISHMENT OF IMPORT CONSORTIA AND SECONDARILY ABOUT REDUCTION OF QUOTA. HE STATED THAT IT WAS POLICY OF MPEAA THAT ITS MEMBERS REFUSE TO DEAL WITH MONOPOLIES, WHETHER STATE TRADING COMPANIES OR PRIVATE COMPANIES. HE HAS MET WITH M.I. OFFICIALS AND TOLD THEM THAT MPEAA MEMBERS WOULD NOT SHIP FILMS TO INDONESIA UNDER NEW REGULATIONS, HE PLANNED TO RETURN TO INDONESIA IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS AND ASKED FOR EMBOFF TO ACCOMPANY HIM IN NEXT CALL ON M.I. HE ESTIMATED VALUE OF U.S. FILM EXPORTS TO INDONESIA TO BE ABOUT \$3-4 MILLION. PERKINS SAID MPEAA WOULD ALSO MAKE REPRESENTATIONS TO STATE DEPARTMENT.

4) EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE WASHINGTON GUIDANCE ON USG POSITION AND WHETHER EMBOFF SHOULD ACCOMPANY MPEAA REP DURING CALLS ON GOI OFFICIALS IN THIS REGARDS.

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